

CREST: Other Reporting Obligations

When is this tip sheet needed?

After your CREST has ended (5 of 7).

Concept

Your strategic plan and the NSF Cooperative Agreement have in large part dictated your course of action over the past five years. But your project's commitments do not begin and end with fulfilling the terms of your NSF funding.

Management Considerations

- ❑ You have worked long and hard to promote your Center. You have made long-term partnerships and developed a unique role in the research and education communities. Now is the time to “take stock” and consider what you “owe” to the various people and organizations who have helped you get this far.
- ❑ Consult with NSF, your CREST partners, industry partners and delegates at the university to see if there are any final commitments or expectations they have outstanding. Even if there are no further requirements, you are building linkages to assist your next proposal and assuring that the CREST will remain a respected part of the community.
- ❑ Also check with your program officer from time to time. Extraneous items of interest often come up in the weeks or months after a final project report is approved.
- ❑ Stay in touch. Your experience is now a valuable commodity to future proposals, site visits, merit-review panels and committees of visitors.

Administrative Considerations

- ❑ See notes under Management Considerations.

Sources and Further Reading

Consult your NSF program officer.

What's Next?

What happens to your project submissions to NSF after funding has ended? How do we know that the CREST program as a whole is making a difference in the community? >>> [NEXT \(Committees of Visitors\)](#)

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